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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Please delete original claims 1-16 and add the following new claims:

17. (NEW) A film-feeding mechanism comprising:
 - at least one transport claw for the intermittent transport of a motion picture film, parallel to the lateral edges of which at least one film perforation is provided,
 - at least one locking claw which dips into the film perforation with a locking claw tip in order to secure the picture steadiness, and
 - a film guide aligning the motion picture film,
 - wherein the position of the film guide is changeable, at least to some extent in relation to the lateral edges of the motion picture film and
 - wherein a first pair of lateral film guide elements is disposed opposite each other at the picture center of a picture window of the film guide and
 - wherein a second pair of lateral film guide elements is disposed opposite each other in the film transport direction at a distance from the first pair of lateral film guide elements.
18. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein the changeable part of the film guide is adjustable perpendicular to the lateral edges of the motion picture film.
19. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein one of the changeable and adjustable part of the film guide comprises at least two lateral film guide elements spaced apart from each other.

20. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 19, wherein the lateral film guide elements is adjustable individually in relation to the lateral edges of the motion picture film.
21. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 19, wherein the lateral film guide elements in each case assigned to one lateral edge of the motion picture film are adjustable in relation to the lateral edges of the motion picture film.
22. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein one of the locking claw tip and the locking claw tips dips or dip into the film perforation between the two pairs of lateral film guide elements.
23. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 22, wherein one of the locking claw tip and the locking claw tips dips or dip into the film perforation immediately behind or in front of the picture window in the film transport direction.
24. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein the sides of the lateral film guide elements bearing on the lateral edges of the motion picture film have a minimum length which corresponds to the spacing of two perforation holes of the film perforation.
25. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein the lateral film guide elements are adjustable manually by at least one setting screw accessible from a wall of the film-feeding mechanism.
26. (NEW) The film-feeding mechanism as claimed in claim 17, wherein the lateral film guide elements are adjustable automatically by a self-adjusting device.
27. (NEW) A method for aligning the film guide of a motion picture film, which is transported intermittently by a film-feeding mechanism having at least one transport claw and which has at least one film perforation parallel to its lateral edges, into which perforation at least

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one locking claw dips with a locking claw tip in order to secure the picture steadiness, comprising the step of:

changing the position of the film guide during the film transport, at least to some extent perpendicular to the lateral edges of the motion picture film, wherein the changing of the position of the film guide is performed as a function of the noise produced during one of the film transport and vibrations occurring during the film transport.

28. (NEW) The method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the position of the film guide is changed manually during the film transport.

29. (NEW) The method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the position of the film guide is changed automatically by a control device, which is supplied with an actual value signal which corresponds to one of the noise produced and vibrations occurring during the film transport and which outputs.